

Courtesy which is a power. Did you think that when we were refusing to give our social sanction to a Bazaar, we were guilty of foolish exclusiveness?" — he acknowledged he did not know much about the grounds of this matter but after a long conversation, he was much enchanted with our views & plans. I said again — "yes — 100 young men will place themselves at your disposition next year." Now, as there were no pretty young ladies about, (for we see no longer liable to the ordinary charge against Cadus' fans of hybrid, under pretence of Philanthropy, to show off our own beauties & airs & graces,) I really believe him. And as there is no field ^{for} them to be useful at a Bazaar, we will put our social influence in a shake to render them so. We will, at the end of 1858, bend on a 50-salon-power, in the largest hall we can find, & receive their subscriptions, & give them a cup of tea, & take the opportunity to interchange information

& Counsel with them, & in
short, it shall be a great day —
& new era, of which I must not
now run into the details, but I
will hereafter. Mr Webb can tell
you some of them, for I wrote to
him last week. But I do not like
to say exactly quite confidentially
much about them, till I have
consulted all our Ladies. At
Present I have seen only
Mrs Lollen, Mrs Russell, Mrs
Shaw, Mrs Robbins, My sister
Mary & (I have written to Paul)
Miss Sargent Mrs Loring &
Mrs Child. ^{Miss Kelly & Mr Loring's daughter} ^{but,} though I
know the others will feel desi-
rous also to cooperate, I do not
write fully to all our English friends
till I have seen them all, which
severe influence — (the dress of
the Fair,) has prevented. Suffice
it to say that my response
from the Country towns has

been most cheering. If we do
— draw less from Great Britain,
we shall, in recompense, draw more
from home: & this will be placing
the burden on the right shoulder.
I do not care how I serve the
Cause:—

"The just in shame & agony
The meekest in the lowest work"

I have rejoiced all these
24 years to be. I ^{have had} the happiness
of knowing at the time I did it, how
honourable & ennobling was the privi-
lege of every mental act. It real-
ly has been in my choice—
— my lot has really said to me,
"Will you be the companion of
Princes?" — & I have felt the
deep moral joy, & the lofty mor-
al privilege of saying — "No! — let
me be the servant of slaves!"
So I can't say I have made
any sacrifices. I have had
my choice. I thank my

stars I know the truth
genuinely, the moment I set eyes
on it, on any land on earth,
The First;— & it is my joy to pour
its banners I care not how.

“ [to ride

— servant in its train
is good & proud for me. This
Service may come in different
ways. We were possessors of great
social influence, before we were abo-
litionists. Now let us use it.— for
we have never lost it: we were
simply engaged in using our
ecclesiastical, Judicial, & political
influence, because the field open-
ed so. Follow the openings! but
I need not explain anything to
you. It is only for the pleasure
of conversation, as it were, that I
go on in this way, in this letter.
But, to your enquiry about
the Advocate. Of course I,
none of us, can here judge;—

you can. We must depend
 on your judgment. Only
 one thing do I know. — that it
 is a capital little paper — which
 cannot but do good. I enjoy seeing
 its good judgment in selections &
 its good original articles, myself,
 greatly. I read it for the British read-
 ers, (trying to see it with their eyes
 I mean, to fancy how they see it)
 with delight & encouragement.

But a number of things apart
 from it, of which I am wholly
 ignorant, ought to come into the
 decision of the question. Such, for
 example, as the circulation of the
 Daily News. That paper in the
 course of a year, keeps its read-
 ers well up with the political
 progress & the moral aspects
 of the Cause, externally, & an
 occasional article on its internal
 I wish I knew the exact
 amount of this circulation.

a paper that is called "one
of the great London Diaries," must
have I should suppose, a large cir-
culation. In what channels?
as an Independent paper, ^{it} would be
likely to be read by much the
same persons that receive the
Advocate. Is it so? The Advocate
presents the abolitionists as person-
alities to the circle that read it.
Now ~~large~~ a number of that
circle, (which I understand you
to say could not, in your judge-
ment be made an increasing
one) would forget the abolitionists
& the slaves - then what, if the
Advocate should stop? - how far
would private letters replace it?
How far would the Standard
replace it? How far would
British funds incline to make
little clubs, - say 6 persons, ^{neighbours} to
subscribe for ^{a copy of} the Standard, among

the poorer contributors — which
would be a far better thing for
us than head-baskets, & wrought
slippers & book marks — every
standard being 12^s to our
treasury — & the ploughing
& sowing of the Anti-Slavery
Seed done by the same spe-
culation, to the great & conservation of
time & money & strength?

When I think of the terms on
which the London papers are
^{to be} read in England, among the
people not generally able to take
them, — 13 shillings a quarter,
for a daily, I ask myself how far
we might hope to do the work
of a perpetual penny subscription
by disseminating the Standard,
Club-fashion, in England. I have
just read "the Reporter". It really is
below contempt. Think how completely
you have broken down the "British
& Foreign" & its vanity, when

its only pretence of work - the
only thing it can venture to
do, is to support this poor knavis
Douglass, - simply because he is
a selfish, knavis, tricky, shifty
fellow, who discerned by his cleverness
that the anti slavery cause would
never enrich him, while oppo-
sition to it, might. Verily, there is
no "British & Foreign". It pains
me to think it & its black or
white knavis proteges should
trouble any of our dear friends.
There is only one thing to be
regretted - that they are troubled.
I am greatly obliged to you for these
lists. They will enable me to serve
our report upon the subscribers.
The sincere & sound minded cannot
but discern a different spirit in
what we say. How does the
Advocate affect such minds as
I see on this list? - after all -
what is £400 or £800
from an aduance or deluded
world? It does nothing. - maintains a

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Couple of impostors: to
all:— delays the Salvation
Mund of their contributors & a
Fifty — but no great Push.

...me, since through
...^{the} ^{secretary} ^{of} ^{the} ^{League} ^{of} ^{Nations}, ⁱⁿ ¹⁹⁴¹, they
declared that they had lost con-
fidence in the American

... what they

too that Mr. Webb should feel
uncomfortable about Wendell
Carpenter's letters, & Douglas's insults.
For Douglas's paper, (the inserting
one to Webb) shows a most
damaging piece of management
on the part of Julia & himself.
No lawyer can ^{otherwise} understand it, as
he prints it. It seems to have
been a plan to let her name
cover Douglas's property from
being taken for his debts. It
looks disgraceful to them any way
they print it. All Rochester —
every body here knows that
their interests were identical. They
had but one purse. What does Wendell
Carpenter think we have probate
& mortgage offices for? — why
we seek them up & pay for run-
ning them in every county, our
purpose to know what names
are about, that they may not
cheat us. I wish our Ex. Com. would
withdraw their commendation from

Douglass as, publicly, as they
 June 11, to promote his obtain-
 and in England. We introduced
 him to you - it is through
 as you suffer all this annoy-
 ance, & I think we ought
 to take public action of withdrawal
 of the recommendation we gave. -
 Small a matter ^{villains of} as this ^{is, to} is.
 But our Committee think he is ^{completely}
 perfectly understood. So he is ^{here}
 despised according to his deserts,
 & used according to his talents
 those who trained & educated ^{him} among
 themselves - whose society alone
 is for such a man an education.
 He is worth a tuffe per annum
 to Sturge, Gerrit Smith, Mr
 Channing, Charles Sumner,
 to be their excuse for saying
 that Comings & Sins & Post.
 "It is not thine because of evil
 deeds." Stamp upon them, strongly.
 Well - our Committee think it

would give him too much
importance. — at all events
the matter is really not of
importance. I shall get a
copy of the "Record" to send to
Mr. Webb, soon I suppose for
I hear from Mr. Anthony that
they are going to do it.

Their impression at present
is, that there has been manipulation
near that is not creditable to
Julia & Douglas as honest people
but this of course should not be
said, ^{till they get the proof.} All that should be said
is what I told you in '55 ^{or some one — I remember}
that their interests were one —
as proved by a mortgage. remember
I knew no dates — I found
no dates. But their interests
are proved to be one, by its exist-
ence — & that is the smallest
of a thousand proofs. & their
interests are opposed to the cause.

better - that Lucia, at Rome
is, after suffering much from the
winter, even there, slowly com-
ing to her poor Summer self.

I hear from my good son
Augustus, that he has just had
the grief of losing his father,
one of the old officers of the
first Napoleon when he
thought Napoleonism was
democracy - & who refused
to continue in the Army when
it went for Charles X. My
dear H. W. is the same: -
the suffering less - the immediate
danger of sudden death less - through-
out what I suppose I should call abstrac-
tion. But Latham ^{though he considers the case} considered
that she has discovered the
true secret of beating this
heart - complaint which has
threatened his existence to long.
So useful a life ought to last

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if possible to a hundred —
 but it is doubtless hard upon
 her, to wish its long continuance,
 on such terms. Poor her
 acceptance of all things is
 edifying. I see she is aux
Presses as the french say, with
 Lord Palmerston. Her "Sug-
 gestions" & "Suggestions
 towards a government" are
 very able. The question is
 not what Clive did or did not —
 what Hastings did or did
 not — who began it, or who
 did most wrong, — or why, — or
 what cruelties justify what re-
 vivals. But the question for
 Parliament simply is — knowl-
 edge being power, & you having
no knowledge, what can you
 do that will & how to learn
 something, which the great

great fate prepared by cen-
turies of your ignorance &
reflect rolls over you in
this? Learn of it as it crushes
along. It is all you can do.
It is amazing to me to
see a mind made for imme-
diation able to harry when
pushing is not good. Able
to see by its intellect ^{the wisdom} what is
contrary to its temperament.
able to pursue the Fabian
policy when needed, against
the grain as it is.

Will you pardon such
a midnight scrawl, in the
midst of my "drest" of influence
- 1300? It is perfect, this or nothing
- for tomorrow morning is the
last post-hour. Yes - how
truly do I sympathize with

Your antipathy to travel!
— The Locomotive is my fa-
vourite amusement, — for I like
the change of scene — Society —
Pursuit, of means of carrying them
that is, — Languages; — seas!

I like to see those Greeks —
Valagues — Ganaristes of Lon-
don — Stamboulo — Stobans, French
Sermons. They are all peo-
ples & friends to me — and not
Masters & dogs. I always re-
member what you dear father
said to me: "Every man is
nine parts man & one part
French man Stobans, Greek
Negro or other." But his breadth
of Sympathy was so great!
Now unlike the General run
of Englishmen! If all were
like him, Parliament might
safely annex India as a
Crown-Colony. He would go out

would it not be this (meant of -
I am proud of new, more than
602) simply in a plain -
it is all the moral
and understand them! if thou
get each of them to
the advocates. And the
he made the present
of organizing & putting up
Annual Subscription? shooting
over the heads of British &
Foreign sort of people, into
the ranks of the sort of people
that despise them, while
retaining the dear old ties
friends by the Cash tie, just
as well as by the rag tie?
Our haberdashers call their goods
rafs. It is in Commercial per-
spective, "the rag business," that
they do. Now could we not make
our rag tie into Bank note rags
by the means of the advocate?

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